energy by the mills and adjustment of excess energy drawn by them during November 1972 to February 1973 in the subsequent months, will put the mills into great hardships resulting in its closure and retrenchment of workers of the area which is hit by scarcity conditions. Government on considering the representations have instructed the State Electricity Board that the excess energy drawn by the mills during November 1972 to February 1973 should not be adjusted in the current and future months and that the monthly energy entitlement of the mills should be fixed on the basis of its actual consumption of energy during the period for which it worked to its full capacity, subject to a cut of 25 per cent, as has been done in the case of other two sick mills *viz.*, Mysore and Minerva Mills taken over by the Textile Corporation. Complete exemption of the mills from power cut is not feasible nor desirable. However, with the concession now shown, it is hoped that the mills will be in a position to utilise the power allowed fully to their advantage without any interference in their working and without any hinderance to their production.

Sri MALLIKARJUNA KHARGE.—I want to know whether the Chairman of the Electricity Board had sent a letter to the M. S. K. Mills, Gulbarga stating that only 6,32,576 units should be consumed, so as to implement the 25 per cent power cut and thereby the labourers also would get full employment ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—No, that is not correct. He will calculate the power that has been consumed by the Mill. I have made it very clear that the excess consumption they have made is exempted as special case. The 25 per cent cut will continue and the quantum of 75 per cent power will be calcutated on the total consumption that they have made during the period when the Mill was working to its full capacity.

Sri MALLIKARJUNA KHARGE.—I want to know whether any such letter was sent ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—I can't tell you what correspondence took place between the Mills and the Electricity Board. The Government passed the orders in this way and it will stand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Next item, papers to laid.

Papers Laid on the Table

Sri N. HUTCHAMASTHY GOWDA (Minister for Revenu)·—I beg to lay :

Order No. RD 52 EST 72 dated 21st March 1973. Remission of fifty per cent Stamp Duties chargeable in respect of all instruments, mortgage deeds, agreements, security bonds, affidavits etc., executed by the Co-operative Societies registered under Mysore Co-operative Societies Act 1960 and all

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instruments, agreements, security bonds, mortgage deeds, affidavits executed by the individual artisans in favour of the Mysore State Khadi and Village Industries Board; under section 9 (2) of the Mysore Stamp Act, 1957.

Sri AZEEZ SAIT (Minister for Labour).—I lay:

Notification No. S.O. 2311 dated 3rd-7th December 1972,

Reduction of tax payable under the Mysore Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1957 in respect of vehicles registered in the States of Andhra and Maharashtra and engaged in the transportation of sugarcane from the fields situated in Mysore State to the Bidar Sahakara Sakkare Karkhane Limited, Bidar; under sub-section (2) of section 16 of the Mysore Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1957."

Sri K. H. PATIL (Minister for Agriculture and Forests).—I lay:

" Notification No. AF 204 AMS 67 dated.... February, 1973;

Cotton Transport (Mysore) Amendmeni Rules, 1973; under section 8 of the Cotton Transport Act 1923 (Central Act No. 3 of 1923)."

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—All the Papers are laid.

First Report of the Committee on Public Accounts

Presentation

Sri H. D. DEVE GOWDA (Holenarsipur).—I present:

" First Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation and Finance Accounts 1968-69 and the Audit Report (Civil) 1970."

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—The Report is presented.

Alleged inconveniences caused to people while collecting lease etc. in Thirthahalli

2-30 P.M.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೋಣಂದೂರು ಲಿಂಗಪ್ಪ (ತೀರ್ಥಹಳ್ಳಿ).—ತೀರ್ಥಹಳ್ಳಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಮುಜರಾಯಿ ಗೇಣಿದಾರರಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟಂತೆ ಮೂರು ವರ್ಷಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಗೇಣಿ ಮುಂತಾದುದವನ್ನು ಒಂದೇ ಸಲ ವಸೂಲು ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋಗಿ ಕಿರುಕುಳ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಆದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಕಂದಾಯ ಸಚಿವರು ತಿಳಿಸಬೇಕೆಂದು ಕೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.